

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Accompanying Continuation Application under 37 CFR 1.53:

Prior Application: K. SUGAI et al
Serial No. 09/511,799
Filed: February 23, 2000
Group Art Unit: 2662
Examiner: D. Levitan

For: NETWORK RELAYING APPARATUS AND
NETWORK RELAYING METHOD CAPABLE OF
HIGH-SPEED ROUTING AND PACKET TRANSFER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application
as follows.